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Hello.

I think the proposed settlement stinks. The other 9 states have come up with a far more reasonable proposal, though I think it still lets Microsoft off way too lightly. Their objections to the alternate proposal amount to, "But we thought we weren't going to actually be \*punished\*! This is punitive!" Please... That's the \*whole point\*! Make them sorry they violated the law, so they don't do it again. With the DoJ settlement proposal, Microsoft is not punished in any way; instead, they continue to profit from their misdeeds.

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PS: Do you need any identification from me, such as evidence that I'm a US citizen? Of course, anything sent electronically could easily (very easily) be faked, but I thought I'd ask.